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Elba BOE votes to hire Ted Watson as acting superintendent

by Linda Hodge, Editor

The Elba Board of Education held its regular monthly board meeting Thursday, June 13, and during the meeting, the board voted to hire Ted Watson to be the acting superintendent beginning July 1, 2024.

Just prior to approving the hire of Watson to be the acting superintendent, the board also approved a motion to authorize and sign an agreement reached with current superintendent Chris Moseley. Board president Johnny Senn said Moseley had signed the agreement earlier in the day last Thursday at the board attorney's office.

Board member Kristy Astemborski made the motion for the board to authorize and accept the agreement reached with Mr. Moseley. The motion passed with no opposition.

Following the board meeting, board member confirmed, when asked,

Board member Debra Clark makes a plea to 'work together'

Elba School Board member Debra Clark made a plea to "come together" during the school board meeting held last Thursday morning.

"I have been sitting on this corner now for a couple of months and mostly been observing," Clark said. "I don't say much – I am directly listening, and people, we are working against each other. If we don't get it together our school is going to fail. It is going to fail. There is no other way to put it. The only way we are going to dig out of this is to put the children first and teachers next."

Once those things are done along with getting qualified people in place doing what they are supposed to do, Clark said the school system would come together.

"As a new member, I don't know much. I'm learning," she added. "What I do know is when you have a group working together for a common goal and you are working separately, you are not going to reach that goal."

She made a plea for all to come together and do things right.

"Please...not for me. For the children, the teachers, and the school," she said. "I am not pointing this at the superintendent. I am pointing it at everybody that has an affiliation."

Clark said she does not know a lot of people as she has always worked elsewhere, but she said one does not have to know a lot of people. Instead, she said what does need to be known is if people have the proper qualifications in place.

"We don't always have to like each other...we better love each other...but we don't have to like each other," she said. "That is okay as long as we can be adults and go forward."

that the agreement indicated Moseley's last day as superintendent would be June 30th.

After that date, the school system will continue to pay him for his current

contract as superintendent, which does not end until Oct. 31, 2024. The agreement reached was for him to leave the job early to allow for an acting superintendent to come to work while the board searches for a new superintendent for the school system.

Prior to the board voting to approve Watson as the acting superintendent,

Senn said he had discussed him with each board member individually. He said Watson is a retired superintendent that spent 11 years with Andalusia City Schools.

Senn said Watson comes highly recommended to serve as the acting superintendent.

"Ted is good people," Moseley added.

Auburn student in Elba this summer via Living Democracy program

A new face roaming around Elba this summer is that of Auburn University student Elisha Oyola. He is in Elba working through a partnership between Elba's Restoration 154 organization and Auburn's Living Democracy program.

"We are excited to welcome Elisha to Elba this summer," said Laurie Chapman of Restoration 154. "We always enjoy getting to know our Living Democracy student from Auburn and to learn what unique perspectives they will bring to our town."

Oyola, age 19, is majoring in political science at Auburn. He is from Opelika, Ala.

He said he feels his partnership through the Living Democracy program is

to learn and listen to the needs of the community by immersing himself in the

community and hopefully

leaving it better than he

found it.

Elisha Oyola is spending his summer in Elba working as part of the Auburn University's Living Democracy partner

ship with Restoration 154.

"I have a lot of motivation

and am eager to work in

Elba," Oyola said. "While

here I hope to engage with

all generations, groups, and

demographics of the com-

munity to understand what

their views on a successful

community are. I also hope

to make lasting connections

The board received an audit update during the meeting. Brian Free, a partner with the firm that oversees the school system's audits said the Sept. 30, 2021 audit has been completed and is awaiting final approval.

"We are a couple of years behind on audits," Free noted.

He said there were no findings or issues with the Sept. 30, 2021 audit.

"Correct me if I am wrong, but normally we run on schedule; however, during COVID all school systems got behind due to shutdowns," board member Deann Grantham inquired.

Free said that was accurate.

"I have never seen in my career so many local governments and school boards behind schedule," he said.

Free said he hoped to use the next few months to work on catching things up for the Elba system.

Several personnel matters also were approved by board members during the meeting.

The board voted to hire Amanda Martin as an English teacher for the

high school. She has been at Elba before and is coming back after a couple of years spent at Kinston High School, according to Moseley.

Tiffany Rodriguez and Mary Boswell were both approved as hires for the CNP department.

Two Elba Career Academy employee transfers included Christina Morgan being named the director of the Elba Career Tech center, and Madison Johnson is transferring from her position as an English teacher at the high school to Family and Career Sciences (FACS) teacher at the Elba Career Academy.

One resignation was approved by the board. Sally Lunsford resigned her special education teacher spot at the elementary school as she has accepted a position at Florala where she currently resides.

Prior to adjourning, Moseley said there would most likely be a need to have another called meeting before the end of June to finalize some additional hires for the upcoming school year.

with community members. Chapman said it is evident that Oyola is a go-getter. Justin Maddox, a founder of Restoration 154, said the Living Democracy program has helped create and cultivate relationships within the community, in a great part due to the networking the students undertake each summer.

"I believe our city benefits from the new points of view and the examples of civic involvement the students display," Maddox said.

"The students benefit from seeing the real impact they can have in a short period of time when they are truly engaged."

All agreed they are looking forward to a great summer in Elba with the organizations working together again to better the community.

Covenant Community Church to host June 21st "Funtastic Friday"

Covenant Community Church invites all to attend its Funtastic Friday event set for Friday, June 21, from 5-8 p.m.

There will be food trucks and vendors, raffles, a cake walk, Bingo, inflatables, animals from the Marley Acres petting zoo, and more!

While it is free to attend the event, some activities will require tickets for a small fee.

Funds generated and/or donated from the event will be given back to the community to help the Elba Food Bank, School Supplies for Teachers, and Fostering

NOTICE:

The Elba Clipper office will be closed Thursday, July 4, and Friday, July 5, in observance of the Independence Day holiday. This will not affect any paper deadlines for the July 11, 2024 edition of the paper.

Area Happenings

The Elba Lions Club will meet Tuesday, June 25, at 6 p.m. at the Elba Senior Citizens Center. All members are asked to attend this meeting.

The Elba Chamber of Commerce will host its Annual Awards Banquet on Thursday evening, June 27, at the National Security Conference Center. Social time will be at 6 p.m. with dinner served at 6:30 p.m. The guest speaker will be Lt. Governor Will Ainsworth. To purchase tickets, call (334) 897-3125.



On Friday, June 14th, the New Hope Senior Citizens Center celebrated "the dads" for Father's Day. Mr. Jessie Taylor (pictured above) was honored as the center's Father of the Year! He received a gift bag and a certificate. As the men entered the center last Friday, the ladies lined the hallway and greeted them by singing "Happy Father's Day to You," the tune to Happy Birthday. Each gentleman was escorted to his seat, and the ladies served them. The tables were dressed with black table cloths, black chair covers and accents of blue and yellow. The men were given a bag of gifts and all left filled with joy.

Elba Chamber planning "Let Freedom Ring" event for July 4th

The Elba Chamber of Commerce is busy planning this year's edition of the "Let Freedom Ring" Fourth of July celebration.

Once again, the event will feature a golf cart parade around the square to get the activities kicked off, beginning at 6 p.m.

Line up for the parade will be held near the Elba Public Library at 5:30 p.m.

Elba's own Bill Brueckner will again bring his band, Blind Skeleton, to his hometown to perform in concert.

Brueckner says he looks forward to this event all year long! The band will perform an array of classic rock and country music, and more!

The event also will include plenty of food and other vendors throughout the evening for all to enjoy.

Elba Chamber director Sandy Williams said Troy Bank and Trust will sponsor the inflatables for kids this year at no charge. The Elba Masonic Lodge also will be providing free



The 2024 Miss Coffee County Queens were recognized earlier this month during the New Brockton Town Council meeting. The queens include Future Little Miss Rosemary Walters, Little Miss Cara Lee Linton, Petite Miss Madison Rascoe, Junior Miss Ryleigh Marler, Teen Miss Shaylee Johnson, and Miss Madi Rae Hudson. Also pictured is New Brockton Mayor Charles Schieffer.

EDITORIAL

Elba Police Report

This report reflects activity for the Elba Police Department from Tuesday, June 11, 2024, through Sunday, June 16, 2024, as reported to and dispatched from the Coffee County 911 Dispatch Center –

Tuesday, June 11 – Suspicious person reported at 595 Collier St (12:18 a.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported at 131 Tiger Dr (12:33 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at 375 Hwy 203 (9:05 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at 1019 Garrett St – w/impound (12:16 p.m.); Reckless driver reported on Hwy 167N (10:21 p.m.). One traffic stops resulted in a citation.

Wednesday, June 12 – Theft of property reported to Elba Police (9:33 a.m.); Suspicious person reported at 650 Claxton Ave N (5:39 p.m.); Lost/Found property reported in area of Claxton Ave and Polk St (6:21 p.m.). Three traffic stops resulted in one written warning, one assistance rendered, and one citation.

Thursday, June 13 – Suspicious person reported on Martin Luther King Dr (5:33 a.m.); Suspicious person reported at 1085 Neil Grantham Dr – w/arrest (6:48 a.m.); Suspicious person reported at 529 Adkinson Ave (1:35 p.m.); Traffic accident reported at Hwy 84 and Hwy 141 (2:19 p.m.); Traffic accident reported at 200 Buford St (5:04 p.m.); Harassment

reported at 2318 Taylor Mill Rd (5:06 p.m.). Three traffic stops resulted in two verbal warnings, and one written warning.

Friday, June 14 – Suspicious vehicle reported at 661 E Davis St (4:53 a.m.); Animal complaint reported on Simmons St (9:32 a.m.); Trespassing/Unwanted Guest reported at 934 Sunset Blvd (12:43 p.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 1414 Reese Ave (4:47 p.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported at 4783 Hwy 141 (6:57 p.m.). One traffic stop resulted in a verbal warning.

Saturday, June 15 – Traffic accident reported on Martin Luther King Dr (12:09 a.m.); Report of shots fired on Reynolds Ave (12:36 a.m.); Suspicious person reported on County Rd 404 (9:21 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at 1649 Boswell St (10:58 a.m.); Domestic disturbance reported at 154 Yelverton Ave (11:35 a.m.); Structure fire reported at 615 Jackson Ave (12:03 p.m.); Theft of property reported at 21655 Hwy 189 (1:30 p.m.); Assault reported at 615 Jackson Ave – w/arrest (5:45 p.m.); Burglary reported at 1516 Edgewood Dr (6:01 p.m.); Reckless driver reported on Hwy 87 (7:11 p.m.); Suspicious person reported at 1532 Powell Circle (8:33 p.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported at 994

Hwy 203 (10:04 p.m.); Suspicious person reported at 1310 Stoudemire St (10:11 p.m.). Two traffic stops resulted in verbal warnings.

Sunday, June 16 – Harassment reported at 1320 Highland Dr (12:59 p.m.); Trespassing/Unwanted Guest reported

at 243 Old Samson Rd (5:19 p.m.); Grass fire reported at 959 Claxton Ave N (7:12 p.m.); Traffic accident reported at Sunset Blvd and Claxton Ave (7:49 p.m.); Gunshot victim reported at 811 Buford St (9:27 p.m.). One traffic stop resulted in a verbal warning.



Cuzin Lou Lou's Tales from Yonder

Note: Cuzin Lou Lou's tales are to be enjoyed as a light-hearted form of Southern expression

Cuzin Lou Lou and Sister had a wedding to attend over the weekend, and of course, Sister would not allow Lou Lou to go in her normal summer weekend attire – shorts and a t-shirt!

For Sister, attending a wedding meant only one thing...she needed a new dress and shoes. For a split-second Lou Lou thought this would be a first as Sister had only purchased a new dress for the occasion. However, on the day of the event, she decided none of her many, many pair of shoes would do!

So, off to the store Sister returned to purchase a new pair of shoes for the wedding too. Of course, she explained after making the shoe purchase that these could be used and worn for many other things too. We'll see...

Lou Lou did go with Sister to the store to dress shop, but unfortunately, the only ones she found that she liked did not have her size available.

"What are you going to do?" Sister asked in a concerned tone since she could not imagine not having a new dress for the event.

"I'm going shopping in your closet," Lou Lou responded. "You've got plenty of options, most of

which you've either only worn once or not at all!"

Sister wanted to be upset by that statement, but she knew Lou Lou was telling the truth.

Just as Lou Lou anticipated, she quickly found a dress that would work for her hanging in Sister's closet. As for shoes...she also had a pair of her own that would work perfectly.

Easy peasy!

The biggest shock of the day came when Lou Lou told Sister on the way home from the wedding that she really liked the dress she opted for from Sister's closet.

"I think I'll just keep this one," she told Sister. "You'll never even miss it!"

Sister thought about it for a moment and agreed it would be okay for Lou Lou to keep the dress.

"Eh...I've already worn it for something anyways. You can have it," was Sister's reply.

What a beautiful process it is for Lou Lou. Sister goes and buys the new dresses, and Lou Lou just takes the ones Sister no longer wants after she has worn them a time or two. It is great having a "shopaholic" Sister...at least it is for Lou Lou.

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On Monday, June 17, the New Hope Senior Citizens Center celebrated the heavenly birthday of Miss Arillian "Bonnie" Woodard. Miss Bonnie was the driver for New Hope Senior Center until an accident occurred and later caused her passing in 2015. The senior center still celebrates her life, love and legacy. Center director Conzuella Banks said, "we were so blessed to have her daughter, sisters, brother, other family members and friends to join us to celebrate her today (Monday)." Bonnie will forever be in the hearts of those at the senior center as they continue to celebrate her life and legacy. Above, family members are shown at the birthday celebration held Monday of this week.

All-terrain wheelchair makes Troy University arboretum walking trails accessible for all

Troy University arboretum's more than 10 miles of walking trails are now fully accessible to the public, thanks to the donation of an all-terrain wheelchair courtesy of the Hank Poore Foundation.

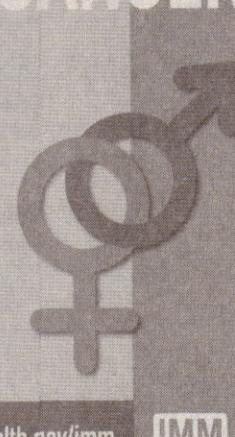
The GRIT Freedom Chair was presented on Friday, June 7, by Hank Poore, Foundation founder, and Ashley Ferry, executive director.

"I am excited to be here to give TROY the Freedom Chair to allow individuals the opportunity to go on the trails," he said. "This chair will allow their students who require a wheelchair to enjoy nature."

Dr. Alvin Diamond, arboretum director and biology professor, said their goal was to make the arboretum trails accessible to everyone. Because the existing nature trails at the arboretum are naturally-surfaced with exposed roots, uneven slopes, areas of loose sandy soil and seasonally wet spots, grant applications to pave them were unsuccessful. Instead, Diamond said they looked for grants to obtain an all-terrain wheelchair.

"Access to natural areas within Pike County and throughout Southeast Alabama for wheelchair users and those with paralysis is extremely limited at this time. We wanted to make the arboretum trails accessible to everyone," he said.

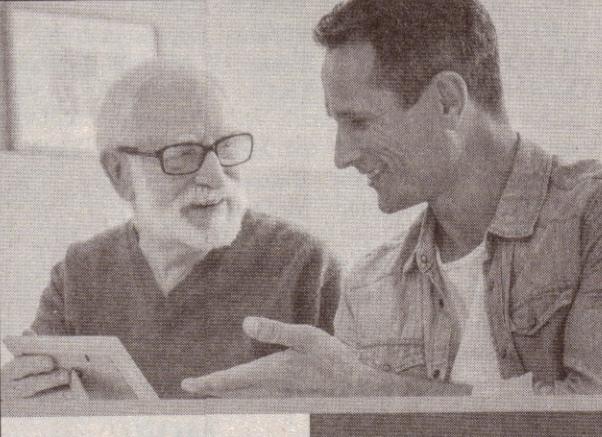
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CHARLES DIXON HOLLOWAY

Mr. Charles Dixon Holloway, age 55, died Thursday, June 6, 2024. He was born in Elba, Alabama on September 25, 1968.

Chuck spent his younger years in Alabama and then moved with his family to Austin. He graduated in 1987 from West Lake High School where he excelled in football and track. He attended the University of Texas joining Delta Tau Delta fraternity.

Chuck worked in the trucking industry for R. L. Anderson International and then for BML Crude Marketing.

A celebration of life service was held Wednesday, June 12, 2024, at Pioneer Drive Baptist Church, Abilene, Texas. Arrangements are with The Hamil Family Funeral Home.

Survivors include his wife, Amy; his four sons and daughter-in-law, Hill and Shea Holloway, Doak Holloway, Witt Holloway, and Link Holloway; his mother and stepfather, Nancy and Buddy Harris; his dad, Mack Holloway; his brother and sister-in-law and niece, Jason, Colleen and Elena Holloway.

He is also survived by Amy's family, Barbara and Lynn Anderson, Scott and Brooke Anderson and their children Ben, Brady, and Charlie; David and Carolyn Anderson and their children, Will, Hank, and Brooks; Michael and Leah Anderson and their children, Wells, Lillie, Carly, and Anna Grace; and his stepfather's children and their families.

Chuck was so looking forward to adding Jalyn Scott, Doak's fiancée, to his family in September.

The Freedom Chair is available for use to students, faculty and the public at no cost. To coordinate use of the chair and to ensure there is a volunteer to assist in demonstrating how it's used, contact Diamond at adiamond@troy.edu.

McWaters had the opportunity to test drive the Freedom Chair on the trails and said it was a great addition for the community.

"People that have had accidents or are born a different way just want to be included in everyday activities, like taking a walk with friends," he said. "I did all this stuff before my accident, and now this provides an opportunity to get back out and do it again. Everyone wants to be thought of, so to even think about having this as an opportunity is amazing. Now, even though I'm different, I don't look different because I'm with the group."

"I personally have had opportunities to do these kinds of things, and a lot of individuals may not have had the same opportunities as me," Poore said. "This is a way to give back to the community and allow individuals to have the same opportunities as me."

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"People that have had

and also becoming a grandfather with the birth of Hill and Shea's baby in November.

REBECCA KAY HARRISON

Ms. Rebecca Kay Harrison died the morning of May 9, 2024.

She was born in Ansbach, Germany on January 31, 1955, to Lt Col Charles Harrison and Ivory Harrison.

Becca attended Elba High School in Elba, Ala., and graduated from Troy State University in Troy, Ala. She was employed with the Bay Independent School District, Panama City, Fla., as a paraprofessional, working at Cedar Grove Elementary School in the Autistic Department. She retired in 2020, moving to King Island, Texas.

She was happiest when interacting with children, playing board games and being with the Elba Girls of 73' on their annual beach trip to Panama City, Fla. She is preceded in death by her parents, Charles and Ivory Harrison, her brother Bill Harrison, and his son, Bryan Harrison.

Survivors include her sister, Nancy Harrison Harris, and her husband Buddy Harris from Marble Falls, Texas; along with her nephews, a niece and their families, and her Austin, Texas, Florida, and Alabama cousins.

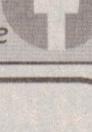


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Carmen L. Powell
Personal Representative of said Estate
6/13/20&27-pd.IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR GENEVA COUNTY, ALABAMAIN RE: The estate of MAURICE C. HIMES, Deceased Case No.: 24-745NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE AND NOTICE TO CREDITORSTAKE NOTICE that Letters Testamentary of the Estate of Maurice C. Himes, deceased, have been granted to Crystal Pagni, on the 12th day of June, 2024, by the Honorable Toby Seay, Judge of the Probate Court of Geneva County, Alabama.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having claims against said Estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

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IN THE PROBATECOURT OF GENEVACOUNTY, ALABAMAIN RE: The Estate of Ewell Heath, Deceased Case No. 8716NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVERELETTERS TESTAMENTARYOFMAURICE C. HIMES,DeceasedCase No. 24-745NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVERELETTERS TESTAMENTARYOFTYRON POWELL,DeceasedCase No. 24-082NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVERELETTERS TESTAMENTARYOFTYRON POWELL,DeceasedCase No. 24-082NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVERELETTERS TESTAMENTARYOFTYRON POWELL,DeceasedCase No. 24-082NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVERELETTERS TESTAMENTARYOFTYRON POWELL,DeceasedCase No. 24-082NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVERELETTERS TESTAMENTARYOFTYRON POWELL,DeceasedCase No. 24-082NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVERELETTERS TESTAMENTARYOFTYRON POWELL,DeceasedCase No. 24-082NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVERELETTERS TESTAMENTARYOFTYRON POWELL,DeceasedCase No. 24-082NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVERELETTERS TESTAMENTARYOFTYRON POWELL,DeceasedCase No. 24-082NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVERELETTERS TESTAMENTARYOFTYRON POWELL,DeceasedCase No. 24-082NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVERELETTERS TESTAMENTARYOFTYRON POWELL,DeceasedCase No. 24-082NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVERELETTERS TESTAMENTARYOFTYRON POWELL,DeceasedCase No. 24-082NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

LEGAL NOTICES (con't from Page 4)

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ENTERPRISE DIVISION
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: JERRY BENJAMIN JOHNSON, Deceased.
CASE NO.: PR-2024-046
NOTICE

Letters of Administration on the estate of said deceased, JERRY BENJAMIN JOHNSON, having been granted to KARLA JUSTICE on the 23rd day of May, 2024, by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson, Probate Judge of Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

DONE this the 29th day of May, 2024.
 /s/ Jodee R. Thompson
 Hon. Jodee R. Thompson
 Probate Judge
 Coffee County, Alabama
 6/6,13&20-pd.

IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ENTERPRISE DIVISION
IN RE: THE ESTATE OF FRED ARTHUR FOWLER, Deceased
CASE NO. PR-2024-095
NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

Letters Testamentary of said deceased having been granted to Francine Alma Jones, as Personal Representative of the Estate of Fred Arthur Fowler on the 29th day of May, 2024, by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson, Probate Judge of Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said Estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

/s/ Jodee R. Thompson
 Hon. Jodee R. Thompson
 Probate Judge
 Joshua Pipkin
 Attorney for the Estate
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 6/6,13&20-pd.

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ENTERPRISE DIVISION
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: BOBBY M. BYRD, Deceased.
CASE NO.: PR-2024-090
NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY EXECUTOR

Letters Testamentary and under the Last Will and Testament of said deceased having been granted to Belinda Byrd on the 28th day of May, 2024, by the Honorable Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama; notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said Estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

/s/ Jodee R. Thompson
 Judge of Probate
 Coffee County, Alabama

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ENTERPRISE DIVISION
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: JOSEPH ISAAC SPEIGNER, Deceased.
CASE NO.: PR-2024-088
NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY EXECUTRIX

Letters Testamentary and under the Last Will and Testament of said deceased having been granted to Natalie Brewster, Executor, on

Susan R. Speigner on the 28th day of May, 2024, by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson, Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama; notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

/s/ Jodee R. Thompson
 Jodee R. Thompson,
 Judge of Probate.

Rick Hollingsworth, Jr. (HOL094)
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 6/6,13&20-pd.

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF GENEVA COUNTY, ALABAMA
IN THE MATTER OF BRENT EUGENE UNDERWOOD, DECEASED.
CASE NO.: 8688
NOTICE OF ESTATE SALE BY PUBLICATION

Please take note an Estate Sale for the Estate of Brent Eugene Underwood having been filed in the Probate Court of Geneva County, has been approved by the Honorable Toby Seay and notice is hereby given by publication that such sale has been set for the 14th and 15th day of June, 2024 at 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at 429 N. Bob Street Coffee Springs, AL 36318.

All persons having interest in this matter must appear at said time and place if not otherwise notified.

DONE this 28th day of May, 2024.

/s/ Toby L. Seay
 Toby Seay,
 Judge of Probate
 6/6,13&20-pd.

IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR GENEVA COUNTY, ALABAMA
In the Matter of the Estate of Daniel Bruce Bynum, Deceased.
Case No.: 24-746
NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT

Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Daniel Bruce Bynum, deceased, having been granted to Troy Bank and Trust Company, Personal Representative, on the 29th day of May, 2024, by the Honorable Toby L. Seay, Probate Judge for Geneva County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said Estate are hereby required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

Kristin Waters Sullivan, Personal Representative
 Elba Clipper – June 10, 2024

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ENTERPRISE DIVISION
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF HILDA M. FREE, DECEASED
CASE NO. PR-2024-101
NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters Testamentary of said deceased having been granted to Brian Channing Free, on the 3rd day of June, 2024, by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson, Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama.

Notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

DONE this the 29th day of May, 2024.

/s/ Toby L. Seay
 Toby L. Seay, Probate Judge
 6/6,13&20-pd.

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF HILDA M. FREE, DECEASED
CASE NO. PR-2024-104
NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters Testamentary having been granted to TOM WEAVER, SR., as Personal Representative of the estate of Donna Gilmore, deceased on the 17th day of April, 2024, by the Honorable Jodee Thompson.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having claims against the said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

/s/ Gary D. Bradshaw
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 6/13,20&27-pd.

IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ENTERPRISE DIVISION
In the Matter of the Estate of Shelia Hagler, Deceased.
Case No.: PR-2024-102
NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT

Letters Testamentary of said deceased having been granted to Natalie

Speigner on the 3rd day of June, 2024 by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson, Probate Judge for Coffee County, Alabama; notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

DONE this the 3rd day of June, 2024 by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson, Probate Judge for Coffee County, Alabama; notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

/s/ Jodee R. Thompson
 Jodee R. Thompson,
 Probate Judge

6/6,13,&20-pd.

IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA
IN RE: THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MACK J. CHAMBERS a/k/a Mack Chambers, Jr., Deceased
CASE NO.: PR-2024-060
NOTICE TO FILE CLAIMS

Letters Testamentary on the Estate of MACK J. CHAMBERS a/k/a Mack Chambers, Jr., deceased, having been granted to Wanda Rethorford, as Personal Representative of the Estate of Thelma H. Myers on the 7th day of June, 2024, by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson, Probate Judge for Coffee County, Alabama; notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said Estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

/s/ Jodee R. Thompson
 Hon. Jodee R. Thompson,
 Probate Judge

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA
ELBA DIVISION
IN THE MATTER OF LULA MERLENE FLOWERS, Deceased.

Plaintiff Attorney:

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Enterprise, Alabama 36331

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NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

Letters Testamentary of said deceased having been granted to the undersigned on the 4th day of June 2023 by the Honorable Jodee Thompson, Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama; notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

/s/ Hodari Chambers

HODARI CHAMBERS

Personal Representative of

said Estate

6/6,13,&20-pd.

FOR LEGAL PUBLICATION
Case No. PR-2024-108
NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The State of Alabama,

Coffee County

Probate Court

Estate of: Helen Burrows,

Deceased

Witness my hand this the

4th day of June, 2024.

/s/ BOBBY JOE

FLOWERS, II

Personal Representative

6/13,20&27-pd.

Letters of Administration

having been granted to the undersigned on the 10th day of June, 2024, by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson, Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama; notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said Estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA

ELBA DIVISION
IN THE MATTER OF BOBBY COURSON, DECEASED

CASE NO.: PC-2024-010

NOTICE

Letters of Administration of

said deceased having been

granted to the undersigned

on the 5th day of June, 2024,

by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson, Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama; notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

/s/ BOBBY COURSON

Personal Representative

6/13,20&27-pd.

IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA
ENTERPRISE DIVISION
IN RE: The estate of DONNA GILMORE, Deceased.

CASE NO. PR 2024-104

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters Testamentary having been granted to

TOM WEAVER, SR., as Personal

Representative of the estate of

Donna Gilmore, deceased on

the 17th day of April, 2024,

by the Honorable Jodee Thompson.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having

claims against the said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

/s/ Gary D. Bradshaw

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SPORTS NEWS

VIEWS FROM The Pressbox

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

I went with my teenage grandson and his Mom to a mini-golf course over the weekend and for the first time ever lost without actually letting him win. I'm not sure if my putter was too short or the course had too many dips and swells, but he had no trouble beating both me and his Mom. I guess the next time we go I will have to show him that his Granddaddy is still a threat and get revenge (lol).

For what it is worth....

*** **Anyone that thinks being a student-athlete** in high school isn't a sacrifice should drop by any local school one weekday and see all the boys and girls hard at work conditioning to get ready for the upcoming season. Being a good athlete takes discipline and sacrifice, and having to give up a part of their summer finds out just is willing to make the sacrifice. Believe me, it is much more than just throwing a ball around and running around a track. It is hard work, and everyone that dedicates themselves will improve as athletes and people, in more ways than just one.

*** **The Alabama High School Athletic Association** announced last week that the 'Super 7' high school football championships will no longer be played at Bryant-Denny Stadium, in Tuscaloosa, and Jordan-Hare Stadium, in Auburn, due to possible conflicts of dates with the newly expanded college football playoffs. The two major colleges had hosted the state high school championship games on a rotating basis since 2009, while in 2021 Birmingham's Protective Stadium was added to the rotation, making it a three-stadium rotation. Protective Stadium will host the 'Super 7' in 2024, with a new rotation expected to be announced this summer. Mobile has shown an interest in joining the rotation and would house the seven game event at Hancock Whitney Stadium, the home field for the University of South Alabama Jaguars, the North-South All-Star high school football game, as well as a bowl game and the annual Senior Bowl. While everyone knew the expansion of the college playoffs could lead to a change, last week's announcement was still a shock to many who have enjoyed the trips to the college stadiums over the years. If the AHSAA continues to make it a three-team rotation, about the only other city big enough to host the event would be Montgomery, the home of the AHSAA and Crampton Bowl. The Montgomery Stadium has undergone many renovations in recent years and also hosts a college bowl game every season. It will certainly be interesting what cities are chosen as hosts for the games, and hopefully before long the AHSAA will make the move to send all semifinal games to neutral sites.

*** **In closing....** Since *The Opp News* ceased to exist a while back the folks over in the 'City of Opportunity'. That may keep many Opp residents out of the loop when it comes to news, but not for sports fans, as lifelong Bobcat supporter Tripp Norris has expanded his Facebook site 'Opp Bobcat Sports' to include any and all sports activities in the city. He keeps up with anything that happens at the school, all youth sports and of course, the Opp Bobcats. There are hundreds of podcasts on the YouTube channel every day, and maybe before long Tripp will make the jump to the channel and become the source of news and the face of Opp, Alabama. Keep up the good work. I know people in Opp are proud of what you do!

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Smith named All-State & Super 12

New Brockton ace receives honors

The Alabama Sports Writers Association announced its 2024 'All-State' high school baseball selections last week New Brockton's Trent Smith and Brantley's Thomas Williamson both being named first team picks.

Smith, a senior, pitcher, posted a 7-0 record last season with a 1.87 earned run average and 89 strikeouts in 60 innings in leading the Gamecocks to the second round of the Class 3A playoffs.

Williamson, a senior, outfielder/pitcher, batted .390 with 35 runs scored, 18 rbi's and 6 doubles. In 12 appearances on the mound, he pitched 14 and two-thirds innings, posted a 1-2 record, and allowed 6 hits, 8 earned runs and struck out 23 batters.

The second team selections included New Brockton's Payton Green, Zion Chapel's Wes Braisted and Brantley's Jon Harper Kilcrease and Jayden Parks.

Green, a senior, infielder, batted .441 with an on-base percentage of .521. He hit 1 home run and 16 doubles, scored 22 runs and knocked in 31 runs, and was 21 of 22 on stolen base attempts.

Braisted, a senior, infielder, batted .455 with an on-base percentage of .548. He hit 1 home run, 6 doubles and 2 triples, scored 28 runs and knocked in 28 runs, and was 11 of 12 on stolen base attempts.

Parks, a junior, pitcher/outfielder/infielder, posted a 6-2 record in trips to the mound, pitched 33 innings, allowed 14 hits and 9 earned runs, and struck out 59 batters. At the plate, the Bulldog standout batted .397 with 2 doubles and 1 triple, scored 33 runs and knocked in 22 runs.

Kilcrease, a junior, outfielder/pitcher, batted .94 with 4 doubles, 22 runs scored and 31 runs batted in, while in 12 appearances on the mound he pitched a total of 23 and one-third innings, allowed 16 hits and 8 earned runs, while striking out 32 batters.

A total of five players that helped lead their teams to state titles were included on the all-state lists, including (7A) Braden Boothe, Bob Jones; (6A) Jackson Henderson, Hillcrest, Tuscaloosa; (2A) Myles Tyler, Ariton; (1A) Landon Shumate, Sumiton Christian; and, (AISA) Mason McCrae, Glenwood.

Following is a list of area players included on the all-state list:

Class 7A – (2nd Team) Brady Richardson, junior, pitcher, Enterprise; Cayden Boutwell, junior, outfielder, Enterprise; (HM) Mickey Vanderheyden, junior, Enterprise.

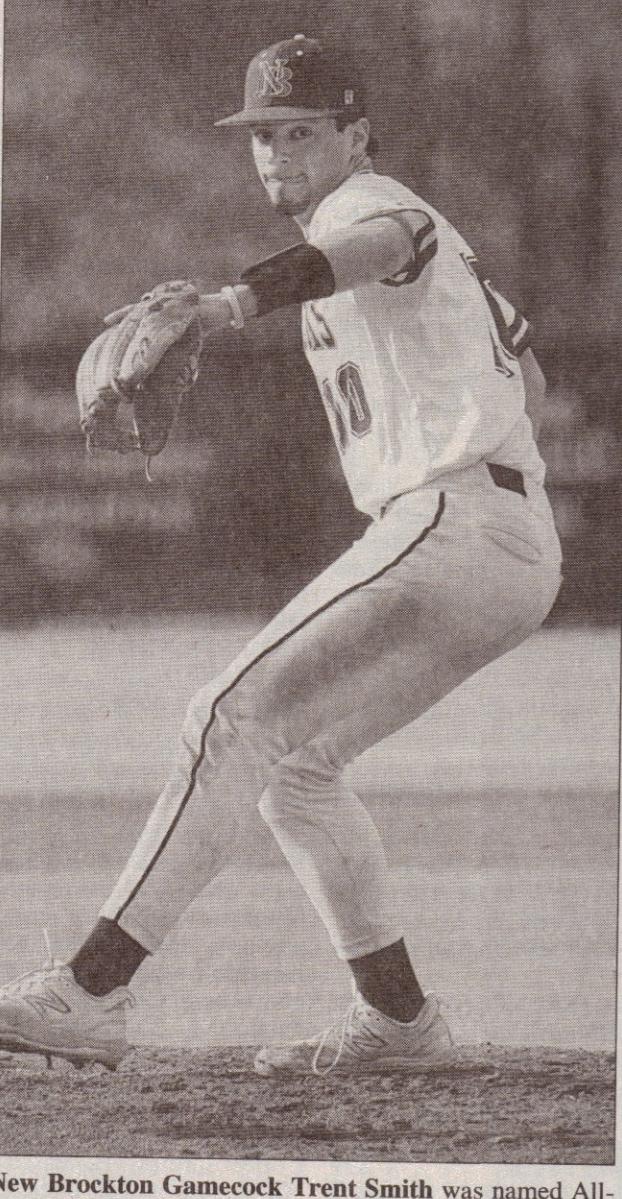
Class 5A – (1st Team) Wade Shelley, junior, outfielder, Headland; (2nd Team) Trey Scott, senior, pitcher, Headland; Wyatt Shelley, sophomore, infielder, Headland.

Class 4A – (2nd Team) Parker Adams, senior, outfielder, Andalusia; Kade Smith, junior, utility, Dale County.

Class 3A – (1st Team) Trent Smith, senior, pitcher, New Brockton; Grady Patterson, sophomore, catcher, Opp; Matthew Ashberry, sophomore, infielder, Straughn; Nelson Hall, senior, outfielder, Opp; (2nd Team) Colby Ballard, senior, pitcher, Opp; Cam Dyer, senior, catcher, Houston Academy; Payton Green, senior, infielder, New Brockton; Chapel Stickler, senior, outfielder, Providence Christian; Porter Dykes, senior, utility, Providence Christian; (HM) C.J. Sullivan, senior, infielder, Providence Christian; Adam Boyd, senior, utility, Houston Academy.

Class 2A – (1st Team) Drew Colon, junior, pitcher, Wicksburg; Austin Evans, junior, pitcher, Ariton; John Lott, senior, catcher, Pike Lib; Lawson Leger, senior, infielder, Ariton; Myles Tyler, senior, outfielder, Ariton; (2nd Team) Ian Senn, senior, pitcher, Ariton; Wes Braisted, senior, infielder, Zion Chapel; Will Bush, senior, outfielder, G.W. Long; Luke Barron, junior, utility, Pike Lib; (HM) Easton Dean, senior, outfielder, Wicksburg. 'Player of the Year' – Myles Tyler, Ariton. 'Hitter of the Year' – Gabe Glover, Wicksburg.

Class 1A – (1st Team) Cody Walsh, senior, pitcher, Florala; Dalton Jackson, junior, infielder, Florala; Thomas Williamson, senior, outfielder, Brantley; (2nd Team) Jayden Parks, junior, pitcher, Brantley; Easton Walsh, sophomore, pitcher, Florala; Jon Harper Kilcrease, junior, outfielder, Brantley. 'Hitter of the Year' – Dalton Jackson, Florala. 'Coach of the Year' – Tyler Zessin, Florala.



New Brockton Gamecock Trent Smith was named All-State and Super 12 after a banner senior season on the mound.



Brantley Bulldog Thomas Williamson was named 'All-State' after an outstanding season as a pitcher and outfielder during his senior season.

Smith leads area players on 'Super 12' prep baseball team

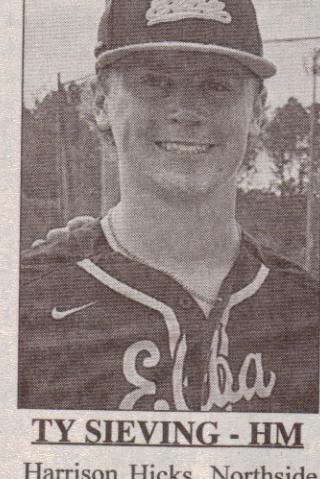
The *Dothan Eagle*, a daily newspaper located in Dothan, announced its 2024 'Super 12' high school baseball selections last week with New Brockton Gamecock Trent Smith named to the honored list, with Gamecock teammate Payton Green, Elba Tiger Ty Sieving and Zion Chapel Rebel Wes Braisted all receiving honorable mention.

Smith, a senior, pitcher, recorded a perfect 7-0 record in 11 appearances with a 1.87 earned run average. The hard throwing right-hander pitched a total of 60 innings, struck out 89 batters and walked only 20.

Green, a senior, second baseman, hit .441 with an on-base percentage of .521 in 34 games, with 1 home-run and 16 doubles. He knocked in 31 runs, scored 22 runs, stole 21 bases in 22 attempts, walked 14 times and struck out 23 times in 102 plate appearances.

Sieving, a senior, shortstop-pitcher-catcher, batted .333 with a .480 on-base percentage, had 4 doubles, knocked in 20 runs, scored 33 runs, was successful in 11 of 15 stolen base attempts, drew 8 walks and was hit by a pitch 14 times. In 10 trips to the mound, the lanky right-hander posted a 4-4 record with a 2.46 earned run average, and struck out 51 batters in 38 innings, while issuing 27 walks.

Braisted, a senior, pitcher-shortstop, batted .455 with an on-base percentage of .548. He hit 1 home-run, 6 doubles, 2 triples, and knocked in 28 runs, while scoring 26 runs. He was 11 of 12 on stolen base attempts and struck out only 8 times in 66 plate appearances. On the mound, he appeared in 12 games and posted a 3-6 record with a 2.88 earned run average, and struck out 60 batters in 41 and one-



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Harrison Hicks, Northside Methodist; Payton Green, New Brockton; Colby Ballard, Opp; Cam Dyer, Houston Academy; Ty Morris, Houston Academy; Win Brock, Providence Christian; Chance Smith, Providence Christian; CJ Sullivan, Providence Christian; Drew Duncan, Geneva County; Easton Dean, Wicksburg; Caden Collier, Ariton; Aven Cook, Ariton; Myles Tyler, Ariton; Braylon Morris, Cottonwood; Austyn Miller, Cottonwood; Ethan Simmons, Cottonwood; Will Bush, G.W. Long; Bryson Hughes, G.W. Long; Luke Barron, Pike Liberal Arts; John Lott, Pike Liberal Arts; Wes Braisted, Zion Chapel; Ty Sieving, Elba; Colton Trotter, Rehobeth; Will Hartzog, Dale County;

Following is the complete 'Honorable Mention' list: Cayden Boutwell, Enterprise; Mikey Vanderheyden, Enterprise; Tyler Richards, Dothan; Tucker Bryant, Dothan; Cole Hewitt, Dothan; Bryce Gover, Headland; Wyatt Shelley, Headland; Colton Trotter, Rehobeth; Will Hartzog, Dale County;

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CHURCH & COMMUNITY NEWS



Children ages toddler through sixth grade have been enjoying Vacation Bible School this week at Basin Baptist Church. The theme of Basin's VBS this year is The Great Jungle Journey with an epic adventure through the Bible from Genesis to Revelation. Above, John Anderson, Lily Daniels Lennon Cowen and Shaw Martin Cowen are shown learning VBS songs during the music portion of their lessons Sunday evening, June 16th. Basin's

Alberton Baptist Church plans Fun Day for Saturday, June 29

Alberton Baptist Church is located at 3633 Hwy. 134, Kinston, Ala. For more information, contact Pastor Will at (334) 308-7510.

There will be a Bible Story, large water slide, kiddie pool, food, games, and crafts. Everyone is invited to attend and enjoy a day of fellowship and fun. You do not have to be a member to attend and enjoy the day.

Alberton Baptist Church

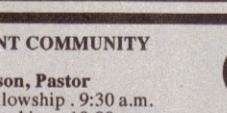


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Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
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Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

BASIN BAPTIST CHURCH
Sam Self, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:30 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:30 a.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet . . . 6:30 p.m.

BETHEL AME CHURCH
Deborah A. Butler, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:30 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study . . . 6:00 p.m.

BETHLEHEM BAPTIST
CHURCH
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:30 a.m.
Wed. Bible Class . . . 6:30 p.m.

BETHANY BAPTIST
CHURCH
Greg Cotter, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Disciple Train . . . 5:30 p.m.
Even Worship . . . 6:30 p.m.

BLUFF SPRINGS
BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.

BROOKLYN BAPTIST
CHURCH
Robert Davis, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.

CHESTNUT GROVE
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Remonia Smith, Pastor
Church Service . . . 9:00 a.m.
2nd & 4th Sundays
Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.
1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
2nd & 4th Sundays

CORNERSTONE BIBLE
CHURCH
Larry Mills, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Night . . . 7:00 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF CHRIST
John Curtis Isaacs, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:30 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:30 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service . . . 6:30 p.m.

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Billy Janes, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:30 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study . . . 6:00 p.m.

ELBA FIRST BAPTIST
CHURCH
Kit Johnson, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Even. Services . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study . . . 6:00 p.m.

ELBA UNITED
METHODIST CHURCH
Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Even. Services . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study . . . 6:00 p.m.

ELBA ZION BAPTIST
CHURCH
Lovell Martin, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 6:30 p.m.
Wed. Even. Meeting 7:00 p.m.

HEBRON BAPT. CHURCH
Mark Cooper, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 6:30 p.m.
Wed. Even. Meeting 7:00 p.m.

HAW HILL ASSEMBLY
OF GOD
Shirlie Ellis, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet . . . 7:00 p.m.

HARRIS TEMPLE COGIC
W. K. Ellison, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.

HAM UNITED
METHODIST CHURCH
Morn. Worship . . . 8:45 a.m.

MT. OLIVE BAPTIST
CHURCH
Olan Strickland, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

MT. ZION BAPTIST
CHURCH
Shirlie Ellis, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 6:30 p.m.
Wed. Even. Meeting 7:00 p.m.

NEW EBENEZER
BAPTIST CHURCH
Randal Pearson, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet . . . 6:30 p.m.

NEW GLORIOUS COGIC
James Starks Jr., Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service . . . 6:00 p.m.

NEW HAVEN BAPTIST
CHURCH
Allen Dieas, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.

NEW HAVEN ASSEMBLY
OF GOD CHURCH
Brad Sasser, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Even. Service 6:30 p.m.

SHADY GROVE AME
BAPTIST CHURCH
James Boots, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Praise Service Mon 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study . . . 6:00 p.m.

SHILOH BAPTIST
CHURCH
Leon Fortune, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 4:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet . . . 6:30 p.m.

TAYLOR HILL COMMUNITY
BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Night Service 5:00 p.m.

WHITEWATER BAPTIST
CHURCH
Lucas Taylor, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet . . . 6:30 p.m.

WOOTEN CHAPEL
ASSEMBLY OF GOD
CHURCH
Mike Medley, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service . . . 7:00 p.m.

ZION CHAPEL BAPTIST
CHURCH
Cary Maulden, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.



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Scripture: Ecclesiastes 1:
1-2

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Hutchinson, Georgia
Nelson, Joe Rudolph,
Ronald Hill, Bernice
Culver

**June Birthdays /
Anniversaries**

Ethel Horstead 6/25

Latofia Culver 6/25

Carmella R. Gregory 6/25

Malcolm A. Hutchinson 6/26

Bill and Ronda Robinson 6/27 W.A.

Susie Reed 6/27

Claudine H. Kelley 6/28

Linda Tillis 6/29

Willie and Jeanette Tillis 6/29 W.A.

Jordan Bryant 6/29

Margaret Williams 6/29

Robyn Patterson 6/29

Go and Tell

It was "show and tell" day at my elementary school – a fact that I had failed to remind my mother of until it was time to leave the house!

At the last minute, Mom shoved our family bread plate into my hand and sent me off to school.

The plate did possess unusual color and texture, but neither my mother nor I had any idea how unique and valuable it was.

My teacher, however, recognized it as a find specimen of centuries-old Majolica (muh-jah-lick-uh) ware "worth who-knows-what."

Needless to say, I returned home that day with not just a bread plate, but a priceless antique – wrapped, padded, and tied securely.

I still own and cherish that plate.

Isaiah's commission to "go and tell" was a typical charge to prophets. He was to be a messenger for God; his message was priceless

because it contained divine truth. It was, for the most part, negative news – not nearly as happily heard as the good news shared by gospel ambassadors of reconciliation. The going and telling of Christians in response to Christ's commission is definitely a more joyful job than Isaiah's.

Though we must warn sinners of God's wrath and justice, the primary thrust of our message is God's love and mercy. Both warnings and promises are designed to bring people to repentance and salvation. So let us go, show and tell, never forgetting the priceless worth of the Gospel. – R.W.B.

Q/A for the Week of 6/20/24

Q: In what four activities did the early church continue "steadfastly?"

A: Fellowship, Teaching, Breaking of Bread, Prayer [Acts 2:42]

Q: At what hour did Peter and John come to the Temple to pray?

A: Ninth [Acts 3:1]

Q: What phrase is used to describe the distance between the Mount of Olives and Jerusalem?

A: A Sabbath Days' Journey [Acts 1:12]

Thought to Remember
Christ is King!

Questions for the Week of 6/27/24

Q: Peter told the house of Cornelius that _____ is no _____ of _____.

Q: Paul and Barnabas and others traveled to _____ to speak to the _____ and _____ about the issue of circumcising Gentiles.

Today is a good day! Be grateful.

Eria's Daughter, Sue

Covenant Community Church invites all to 'Funtastic Friday' this Friday evening

Covenant Community Church invites all to attend its Funtastic Friday event set for Friday, June 21, from 5-8 p.m.

There will be food trucks and vendors, raffles, a cake walk, Bingo, inflatables, animals from the Marley Acres petting zoo, and more!

While it is free to attend the event, some activities will require tickets for a small fee.

Funds generated and/or donated from the event will be given back to the community to help the Elba Food Bank, School Supplies for Teachers, and Fostering Angels.

Covenant Community Church is located at 2667 Hickman Avenue in Elba. Again, all are welcome to attend Funtastic Friday!

Another Funtastic Friday event will be held in July.

Homecoming set for July 14th at Chestnut Grove Methodist Church

Chestnut Grove Hunter Hughes. Special music will be provided by Ernie Ray Keel, the Smiths, and Derek Snellgrove.

Everyone is invited and

Guest speaker will be welcome to attend.

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Noon Worship . . . 12 noon

Even. Service . . . 7:00 p.m.

Wed Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.

NEW PHILADELPHIA CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST
Loreal Flowers, Minister

Sunday School . . . 9

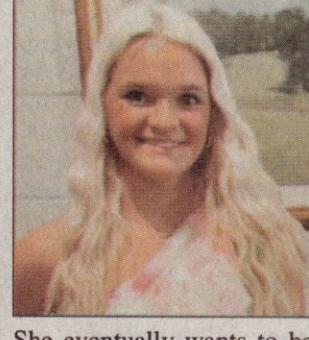


Elba High's Alyssa McFarland founds new Kindness Club

Elba High School welcomed a new club for the 2023-2024 school year. Student Alyssa McFarland founded the Kindness Club. The first year for the Kindness Club included 22 active members.

McFarland said she started the Kindness Club to spread kindness across the school so others would feel welcome and have a sense of belonging.

The Kindness Club represents the students of Elba who want to spread kindness and positivity. McFarland said she hopes the Kindness Club will grow in membership and support so the club can reach more people and be more active in the community.



She eventually wants to be able to raise funds and offer a scholarship! McFarland hopes to do activities outside the school in the near future that will impact not just Elba Schools but the community as well. Alyssa is the reigning Miss Elba and is proud to partner with her school and the community with this new student led club!

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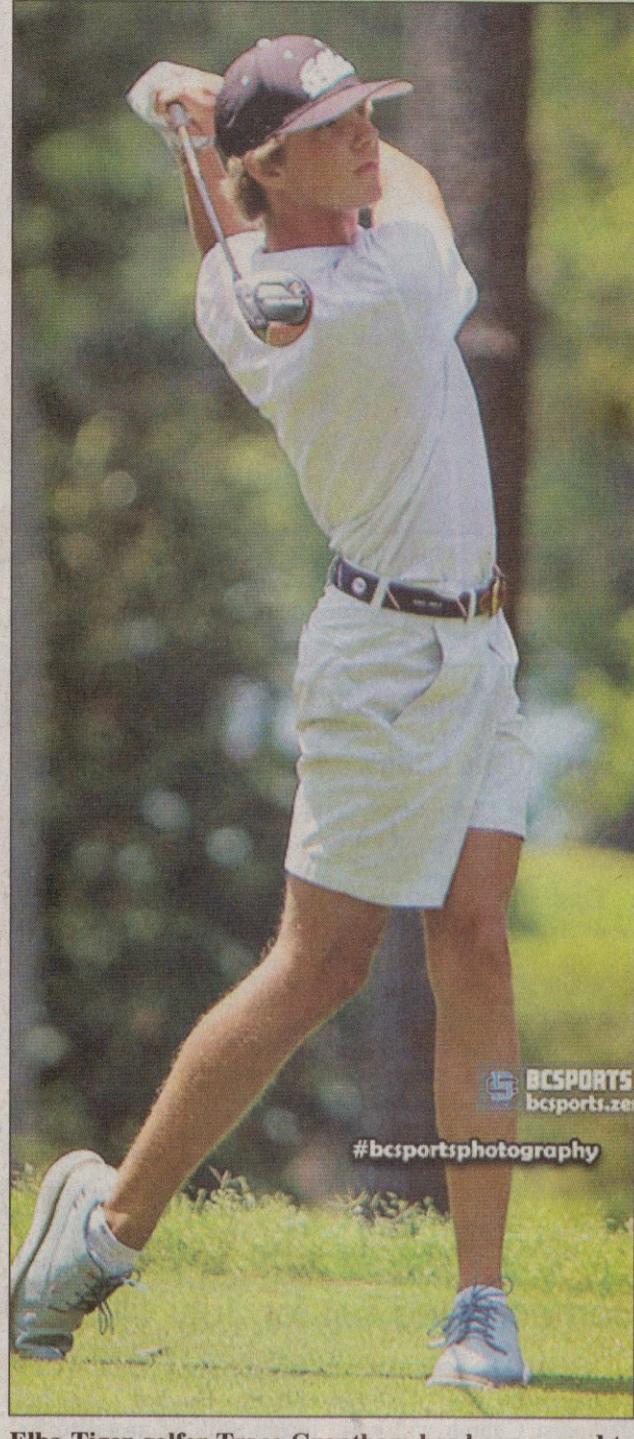
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ELBA SCHOOL NEWS

Elba High School's Trace Grantham named to AHSAA South All-Star Boys' Team in Golf



The North-South All-Star squads for the upcoming 5th annual AHSAA North-South All-Star Boys' and Girls' Golf competition have been selected, and Elba High School's Trace Grantham was named to the South Boys Team.

The All-Star teams are comprised of 2025 rising seniors, according to Brandon Dean, Director of the Alabama High School Athletic Directors & Coaches Association (AHSADCA). The AHSADCA, which operates under the auspices of the Alabama High School Athletic Association (AHSAA) will also host all-star games in basketball, baseball, softball, volleyball, boys' and girls' soccer, cross country and tennis during the All-Star Week, July 15-18. All other all-star teams have already been announced.

The complete South Boys' All-Star Roster includes: Mac Moorer,

Alabama Christian Academy; Luke Ferguson, Bayside Academy; Trace Grantham, Elba High School; Jonathan Steed, Enterprise High School; Ben Holland, Smiths Station High School; Ben Halverstadt, Smiths Station High School; Will Conwell, St. Paul's Episcopal School; Walter Hensely, St. Paul's Episcopal School; and Thomas Floyd, Montgomery Academy.

Grantham will be a senior at Elba High School this upcoming school year. He helped lead the Tigers to a third place finish in the state in Class 1A/2A golf this past season.

He also was a member of the 2022 state champion golf team and 2023 state runner-up golf team for Elba High School in Class 1A/2A boys.

Trace is the son of Keith and Leslie Grantham of Elba.

Elba High Teacher Spotlight

by Austin Stricklin



Tyler Reeves is the science teacher for students in grades 9th-12th at Elba High School.

The 2023-2024 year was Coach Reeves' first year at Elba City Schools.

While teaching at Elba High, he also coaches football. He has coached many other sports such as track, soccer, and baseball.

Coach Reeves is currently working hard to start a track team for the 2024-2025 school year.

The opportunity to teach at Elba challenged Coach Reeves to learn something new. He taught history for five years before working at Elba. He became a certified science teacher before joining the staff of Elba.

Coach Reeves graduated from Huntingdon College with a Bachelor of Arts degree in education. Throughout his career, he

has taught and coached at other schools such as W.S. Neal, New Brockton, and Northview, Fla. He served in the U.S. Army for four years and was a fire specialist in Tacoma, Washington.

As part of his bucket list, Coach Reeves wants to visit Italy, and Jerusalem, and see Jesus' tomb. He'd also like to see every football stadium in the SEC (Southeastern Conference).

He is inspired by his grandfather's work ethic to build relationships with his students and athletes. His favorite quote was written by Jimmy Johnson, a pro football Hall of Famer, and it states, "Treat a man as is and he will remain as he is. Treat a man as he could be and he will become what he should."

The faculty and student body are very happy to have Coach Reeves as a part of the Elba Schools family.

Coach Reeves is looking forward to building toward a bright future in Elba.

His favorite Bible verse sums this up as he works each day. Proverbs 3:5-6: "Trust the Lord with all your heart, and don't lean on your understanding; acknowledge him in all your ways, and He will guide your path."

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